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Jerry Rudibaugh, Chief Administrative Law Judge, Hearing Division

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08/11/00

Re:

IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION FOR A CERTIFICATE OF

ENVIRONMENTAL COMPATIBILITY FOR SALT RIVER PROJECT SAN TAN EXPANSION PROJECT AT VAL VISTA AND WARNER.

Docket No. L-00000B-00-0105

Docket received 10 more consumer letters regarding the San Tan Expansion Project. If you wish to review these letters, the originals are on file with Docket Control Center of the Arizona Corporation Commission, 1200 West Washington, Suite #108, Phoenix, Arizona 85007.

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654 E Ranch Rd #29, Queen Creek, AZ
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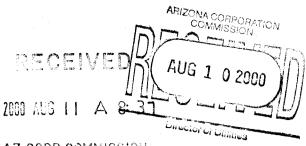
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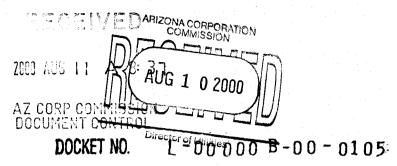
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